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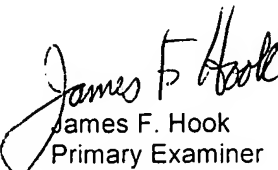
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Response to Amendment

The reply filed on November 4, 2005 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): the restriction requirement set forth an election of species setting forth four groups marked a-d, it was perhaps unclear in the way it was worded but the election was requiring a single election from each of the groups. Applicant has chosen an entire group a) and not one single embodiment from this group and one from each of the three remaining groups as required. For example purposes only a proper response would be something like the following: from group a) the embodiment of figure 2a, from group b) the embodiment of figure 1, from group c) the embodiment of figure 3, and from group d) the embodiment of figure 2a. Such is what is needed to be a proper response along with the claims that read upon the species of each group that is chosen, where each of the groups are based upon one specific feature of the claimed apparatus that has multiple embodiments, and the different groups represent different parts of the same apparatus that have multiple embodiments claimed for each of the different features, where choosing group a) limited the invention to a single feature of the apparatus and all embodiments of that one feature, the examiner is requiring one embodiment of each of the four different features of the claimed apparatus that each have a plurality of embodiments. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid

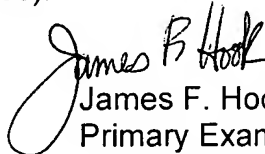
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abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to James F. Hook whose telephone number is (571) 272-4903. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Wednesday, work at home Thursdays.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Michael Mar can be reached on (571) 272-4906. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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